



2016 NEVADA TEACHER OF THE YEAR RECOGNITION PROGRAM FACT SHEET

The self-nomination process is open to any licensed teacher currently teaching in a classroom from pre-kindergarten through grade twelve and working full-time at a state approved or accredited school.

The Nevada Teacher of the Year Award is affiliated with the National Teacher of the Year program, the oldest and most prestigious awards program designed to focus public attention on excellence in teaching. The program mission is to select outstanding classroom teachers who are also able to speak for, motivate, and exemplify the contributions of all teachers.

Candidates are to be skillful, dedicated teachers who plan to actively continue classroom teaching. They take an active role in their community, as well as in their school, and demonstrate professional poise and speak articulately. One of the most important criteria in evaluating nominees is their innovation and ability to inspire a love of learning in students of all backgrounds and abilities.

When completing your application please observe the following.

- Provide **all** information requested in the application form.
- Signatures of the candidate, the candidate's principal, and the candidate's district superintendent **must be provided**.
- Pay **close attention to all instructions** relative to spacing, font size, and pages allowed for each question. Only those applications which comply with submission instructions will be evaluated.
- **Limit answers to the number of pages requested** in each section. (*No smaller than 10pt font.*) In order to provide all applicants with an equal opportunity, only the number of pages requested will be accepted. *Any additional pages and/or materials submitted will NOT be presented to the Selection Committee.*
- **Section I** (pages 1-2) **must be submitted on the form provided**. Sections II-VIII may be produced using your word processing system, but please adhere to the format established in the application. **Number the sections and the pages.** The result is a clean, clear copy suitable for easy black and white copying and placement in a three-ring binder with the other state applications.
- Each application must include **one photograph**, either hard copy or electronic, suitable for publicity purposes (5" x 7" color, head shot preferred).
- The entire **printed** application package **must be submitted by Monday, September 28, 2015.**

The application is available at: http://www.doe.nv.gov/Topic/Teacher_of_the_Year_Program/

**APPLICATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED AT THE ADDRESS LISTED BELOW
NO LATER THAN MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 2015.**

Please mail or deliver your application to:

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